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1. Prior to 20 March 1954, the troops stationed at Eberswalde still wore the same as indicated in previous reports. Extensive activities were observed inside and outside the barracks installations. Recruits were being trained outside the killing area. Individual detachments were observed receiving combat training and training with heavy weapons. Record practices involving armored vehicles, AT guns, AA guns and submachine guns were almost daily held on the Tramps training grounds. On 20 March 1954, the Schuetzen Kaserne (4342) was apparently occupied to capacity by an estimated 4,000 soldiers. Heavy weapons observed in the installation [REDACTED] AT guns and 80-mm mortars. Motor vehicles observed at the site [REDACTED]

From 80 to 100 sidecar motorcycles were housed in two motor-vehicle storage sheds of the installation.¹

2. About 4,000 soldiers were quartered at the Artillerie Kaserne (4341) prior to 20 March 1954. On 21 and 22 March 1954, numerous detachments marched from this installation to the Eberswalde railroad station for entraining. Five T-34 tanks, 5 SP guns, 10 x 35-mm AT guns, 7 x 57-mm AT guns, 109 mortars of various sizes, 17 armored personnel carriers, 3 armored scout cars, 173 trucks and 11 field kitchens were seen with the units.²

Motor vehicles observed at the installation included trucks [REDACTED]

3. On 22 March 1954, the camp on Breitscheid Strasse (4344) still quartered about 500 soldiers wearing blue-bordered black epauletts. Three 85-mm AA guns were in the Western AAA emplacements on 18 March 1954.

4. Trains observed being loaded with materiel at the Eberswalde railroad station on 22 March 1954 included one shipment of 5 model SU-249 SP guns, 1 tank hull, and about 30 trucks besides enlisted men in eight boxcars; one shipment of 9 T-34/85 tanks, 3 BA-64 [REDACTED] 4 half-track vehicles, 14 personnel carriers, 20 trucks, 4 radio trucks, 4 tank trucks and 1 field kitchen; one shipment of four 85-mm AT guns, four 57-mm AT guns, and about 30 trucks; and one shipment of about 50 trucks and field kitchen [REDACTED] besides about 400 soldiers in boxcars. All trains departed from Eberswalde to the north.

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5. On 22 March 1964, a north-bound train which was loaded with 20 trucks and six 76-mm guns and included one motor vehicle with soldiers, passed through Eberswalde from the direction of Bernau. In the morning of 12 March 1964, a train loaded with twelve 20-mm AA guns and 27 trucks was seen at the Eberswalde railroad station. At the same time, 12 model M-13 rocket launchers and about 30 trucks were being entrained at the Bernau railroad station.²

6. In the morning of 16 March 1964, 16 x 76.2-mm AA guns, 4 flame throwers, numerous trucks, ammunition, military equipment and one filled balloon were loaded on two trains at the Eberswalde railroad station. The motor vehicles had approached from Berlin.³

25X1 1. [] Comment. The numerous sideway interceptions reported from the Garmisch Gastein confirm the 51st Motor Regt of the 6th Gds Mech Div in Eberswalde until 20 March 1964.

25X1 2. [] Comment. The two sources observed the departure of units of the 6th Gds Mech Div from the Eberswalde and Bernau railroad area and how division movements in the Mirov-Neuzapfen-Friesack area. These shipments were mentioned in previous reports.

25X1 3. [] Comment. It is fairly definitely believed that the units involved were elements of the 696 AAA Div (US). The time of departure supports the assumption that troops moved to the Mirov-Neuzapfen area to participate in the exercises of the 7th Gds Mech Div. However, this assumption is still uncorroborated.